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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 8, 2004, please extend the period of time for response four months, to expire on September 8, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

The applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-9, without traverse for examination at this time.

In view of the above election, applicant hereby cancels claims 10-17, but reserves the right to file divisional applications on the claims.

In addition, the applicant elects the species of Figure 1. It is believed that claims 1-9 all read on the species illustrated in Figure 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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